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SUBJ: ROMANIAN FONMINS VISIT TO HOLLAND

1. EASTERN EUROPEAN AFFAIRS OFFICER IN MFA DESCRIBED AS ROUTINE

FEB 11-14 VISIT TO NETHERLANDS OF ROMANIAN FONMIN MACOVESCU.

COMMUNIQUE (BEING POUCHED TO DEPT ANDBUCHAREST) SAYS THAT BOTH
SIDES AGREED THAT REAL SECURITY AND DURABLE PEACE IN EUROPE WERE

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LINKED WITH EFFECTIVE MEASURES FOR MILITARY DISENGAGEMENT AND
DISARMAMENT; THAT BOTH WERE IN FAVOR OF GENERAL AND COMPLETE

DISARMAMENT UNDER EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL CONTROLS; AND THEY BELIEVED THAT RECENT ATHENS CONFERENCE COULD CONTRIBUTE TO TRANSFORMATION OF BALKANS INTO A ZONE OF PEACE.

2. MFA OFFICIAL SAID THAT ROMANIANS WERE VERY PLEASE WITH ATHENS CONFERENCE ON BALKANS. WHILE SOME ATTENDEES SUCH AS BULGARIANS INSISTED ON REFERRING TO GATHERING AS A MEETING OF EXPERTS RATHER THAN A GOVERNMENTAL CONFERENCE, IT HAD BEEN WELL RECIEVED BY ALL. EVEN ALBANIANS, WHO DID NOT ATTEND, WERE NOT AS NEGATIVE AS IN THE PAST, AND ASKED THAT ROMANIANS KEEP THEM INFORMED OF PROCEEDINGS AND PLANS.

3. ON MIDDLE EAST, MACOVESCU TOLD DUTCH THAT GENEVA CONFERENCE SHOULD BE ENLARGED TO INCLUDE COUNTRIES WHICH WERE NOT INVOLVED IN DISPUTE. IT CLEAR TO DUTCH THAT ROMANIA SEES ITSELF AS SUCH A COUNTRY. MACOVESCU SAID THAT ROMANIA WAS NOT HAPPY WITH UNGA ANTI-ZIONISM VOTE, AND NOTED THAT INFUTURE THERE MIGHT BE AN ANTI-PAN ARABISM OR ANTI-COMMUNISM VOTE. DUTCH FONMIN VAN DER STOEL REAFFIRMED NETHERLANDS ADHERENCE TO RESOLUTION 242 AS BASIS FOR MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT.

4. MACOVERSCU TOLD VAN DER STOEL THAT ROMANIA DID NOT SEND OBSERVERS TO EXERCISE CERTAIN TREK BECAUSE IT WAS A NATO MANEUVER, AND THEREFORE NOT IN KEEPING WITH SPIRIT OF HELSINKI. ROMANIANS DESIRED STAY ALOOF FROM BLOCK POLITICS IN SO FAR AS POSSIBLE HE SAID.

5. ROMANIANS TOLD DUTCH THAT UN CHARTER SHOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED SACROSANCT. ARTICLES REFERRING TO FORMER ENEMY STATES SHOULD BE DELETED.

6. ACCORDING TO DUTCH, NO BILATERAL PROBLEMS CAME UP, ALTHOUGH VAN DER STOEL DID RAISE ONE OR TWO SPECIFIC EMIGRATION QUESTIONS. VAN DER STOEL ACCEPTED AN INVITATION TO VISIT BUCHAREST AT A LATER DATE.
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